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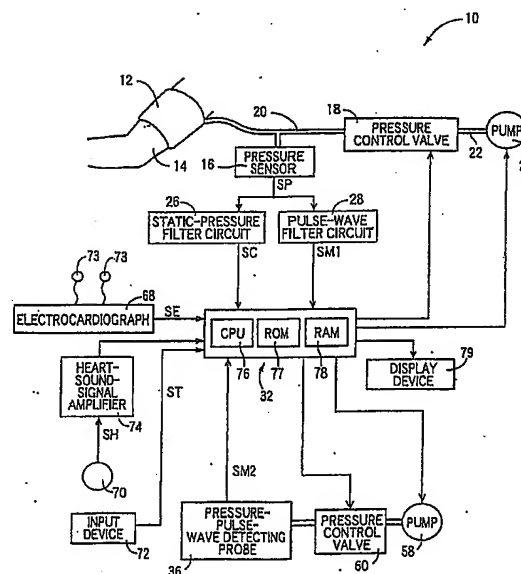
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(54) Arteriosclerosis inspecting apparatus

(57) An apparatus (10) for inspecting arteriosclerosis of a living subject, comprising a pulse-wave detecting device (54); an augmentation-index determining means (96) for determining, based on the pulse wave detected by the pulse-wave detecting device, an augmentation index indicating a proportion of a reflected-wave component of the pulse wave to an incident-wave component thereof, so that the arteriosclerosis of the subject is inspected based on the augmentation index; at least one waveform-related-information obtaining device (28,86;68,88;54,90;70,92;72,94) which obtains at least one sort of waveform-related information that is related to a change of a waveform of the pulse wave detected by the pulse-wave detecting device; a display device (79); an augmentation-index displaying means (98) for operating the display device to display the augmentation index and a waveform-related-information displaying means (100) for operating the display device to display, the waveform-related information.

FIG. 1



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